AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please **AMEND** the specification as follows. A marked-up copy of the changes to selected paragraphs is provided below. Please enter these changes to the specification in the record.

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 3 with the following paragraph:

In another aspect of the invention, a computer program ~~codes~~ <u>product</u> comprising a computer usable medium having a computer readable program code embodied in the medium is provided. The computer program ~~codes~~ <u>product</u> ~~include~~ <u>includes</u> a first computer program code to provide one or more classes for use by applications to at least create and manage one or more rich text nodes in a memory structure representation representative of rich text. Additionally, <u>the computer program product includes</u> a second computer program code to represent the rich text in the memory structure representation, and a third computer program code to edit rich text in a document using the memory structure representation to perform editing functions on a document having rich text as managed and created by the one or more classes are provided.

Additionally, please replace the first full paragraph on page 25 with the following paragraph:

The software classes described above include methods to ~~instantiated~~ <u>instantiate</u> the classes and to access the resulting objects. These software components may exist collectively or separately in libraries, in databases, on networks, on hard or floppy discs, tapes, or resident in various types of memories such as read-only, random access or removable memories. FIGS. 15A-17 may represent a high level block diagram implementing the steps of the present invention.

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Additionally, please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following paragraph:

A method and apparatus for representing and controlling documents including rich text for Web based applications and browsers is provided so that editing of rich text can be facilitated within the browsers. The rich text is represented in a memory structure so that various formats may be ~~flexible~~ <u>flexibly</u> maintained. Text, images, tables, links and the like are represented in the memory structure, which may be maintained in databases for eventual editing. A controller class and subsidiary classes represent the rich text and provide methods to convert html to the memory structure and back, representing the rich text in a relational database, retrieving the rich text from a relational database, and presenting the rich text for editing. A spell checking facility for the rich text is included.